

## FINAL STATEMENT OF REASONS

a) **Public Comment Period**

These regulations were considered as Item #1 at the public hearing held on March 14, 2018, in Sacramento. No comments were received during the 45-day comment period from January 26, 2018 to 5:00 p.m. March 14, 2018.

b) **Local Mandate Statement**

These regulations do impose a mandate on local agencies, but not on local school districts. There are no reimbursable state-mandated costs under Section 17500 et seq. of the Government Code, because these regulations only make changes to an existing administrative process and system configuration updates.

c) **Statement of Alternatives Considered**

In developing the regulatory action, CDSS considered the following alternatives with the following results: No alternatives have been presented for review.

The CDSS has determined that no reasonable alternative considered or that has otherwise been identified and brought to the attention of CDSS would be more effective in carrying out the purpose for which the regulations are proposed or would be as effective as and less burdensome to affected private persons than the proposed action, or would be more cost-effective to affected private persons and equally effective in implementing the statutory policy or other provision of law.

d) **Statement of Significant Adverse Economic Impact On Business**

The CDSS has determined that the proposed action will not have a significant, statewide adverse economic impact directly affecting businesses, including the ability of California businesses to compete with businesses in other states. This determination was made based on the fact that these regulation changes are only applicable to County Welfare Departments.

e) **Update to Statement of Reasons**

Section 11369 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is repealed from the Authority cited of Section 44-316 because the citation addresses Kinship Guardian Assistance Payment (Kin-GAP) and this section does not address Kin-GAP.